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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW--
CIVIL DEFENSE

1. IN PRIVATE DISCUSSION WITH US DELOFF CONCERNING
NORDIC AMENDMENTS ON CIVL DEFENSE, GDR DEL FELBER
EXPRESSED QUALIFIED SATISFACTION WITH PROVISIONS FOR
HANDLING MILITARY UNITS AND PERSONNEL PERFORMING CIVIL
DEFENSE TASKS. HE AGREED THAT SUCH PERSONNEL HAVE TO
BE PRISONERS OF WAR WHEN CAPTURED AND THAT IT WOULD NOT
BE FEASIBLE TO PROVIDE SPECIAL PROTECTION TO MILITARY
UNITS AND PERSONNEL TEMPORARILY PERFORMING CD FUNCTIONS,
BUT HE HOPED SOMETHING COULD BE WORKED OUT FOR
PERMANENT MILITARY CD UNITS AND PERSONNEL ALONG LINES
OF NETHERLANDS AMENDMENT CDDH/II/341.

2. FELBER WISHES TO EXPAND LIST OF TASKS IN
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ARTICLE 54 OF NORDIC AMENDMENT TO INCLUDE (A) ASSIS-
TANCE IN RESTORATION OF ORDER IN DEVASTATED AREAS, (B)
DECONTAMINATION, (C) CONSERVATION FOR OBJECTS
INDISPENSIBLE FOR SURVIVAL OF CIVILIAN POPULATION AND
(D) BLACKOUT MEASURES.

3. HE REGARDED A MENTION OF LIGHT INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS

FOR SELF-DEFENSE TO BE AN INDISPENSIBLE ITEM FOR
INCLUSION IN ARTICLE 58, BUT HE CONCEDED THAT PROTEC-
TION IN COMBAT AREAS FOR CIVILIANS CANNOT BE EFFECTIVE
IF THEY ARE ARMED.

4. US DEL EXPLAINED REASONS FOR OMISSION OF TASKS
MENTIONED IN PARA 2. FELBER RESPONDED THAT ASSISTANCE
IN MAINTENANCE OF ORDER IS A HIGH PRIORITY MATTER FOR
HIS DELEGATION.

5. FOR COPENHAGEN: PLEASE INFORM ERIK SCHULTZ, DIRECTOR,
DANISH CIVIL DEFENSE. SORENSON

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